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PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.78 (a)(3) FOR UNINTENTIONALLY DELAYED CLAIM FOR PRIORITY

Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully petition in the present application under 37 CFR § 1.78(a)(3) for an unintentionally delayed claim for priority, claiming benefit to Application No. 10/434,168, filed May 9, 2003 (published as U.S. 2005/0260493, copy enclosed). Applicants submit that the present application is a continuation-in-part of Application No. 10/434,168.

Applicants respectfully submit that the delay in making this claim for priority, between the date the priority claim was due under 37 CFR § 1.78(a)(2)(ii) and the date the priority claim was actually filed as a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application No. 10/434,168, was unintentional.

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As required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.78, a surcharge of \$1,370.00 as set forth under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(t) is included with this response. In addition, the present application has been amended to include a reference to U.S. Application No. 10/434,168 as required by 35 § U.S.C. 120 and paragraph 37 CFR § 1.78(a)(2). The amendment has been filed concurrently with this Petition, and a copy of the amendment is enclosed. Furthermore, the present application is co-pending with U.S. Application No. 10/434,168 and names at least one common inventor with U.S. Application No. 10/434,168.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact John A. Castellano at the telephone number of the undersigned below.

If necessary, the Commissioner authorized in this, concurrent and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to deposit account number 08-0750 for any additional fees required 37 C.F.R. 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,
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Copy of Amendment to include reference to U.S. Application No. 10/434,168